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SUBJECT: ENTRY OF ARMS FOR SECURITY PROTECTING U.S. FLAG VESSELS

REFS: A) STATE 116588 B) NAIROBI 1338

¶1. Ref A requests procedures to transport firearms, ammunition, and related equipment into air and seaports in Kenya. As indicated in Ref B, U.S. flag vessels wishing to do so should contract with a freight forwarder which will navigate the Kenyan bureaucracy on their behalf. U.S. flag ships should be aware that the amount of paperwork required to transport security equipment is significant. However, the transit of firearms and ammunition from Nairobi's international airport to U.S. vessels in Mombasa can be accomplished given sufficient advance notification and communication. In an ongoing case, at the request of the U.S. shipping company and their contracted freight forwarder, the Embassy is drafting a letter to the Kenyan Commissioner of Police to introduce the U.S. shipping company and request support for the transport of arms.

¶2. Companies offering freight forwarding services include, but are not limited to:

Global Freight Logistics Ltd
Jomo Kenyatta International Airport
P.O. BOX 45787 - 00100 Nairobi
Tel: (+254 20) 827777, 822238/723/455/178
FAX: (+254 20) 827711, 822722
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SDV Transami Kenya Ltd
Airport North Road, Embakasi
P.O. BOX 46586-00600
Tel: (+254 20) 642100
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These companies are favorably known to the Embassy through existing ICASS contracts.

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